GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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UPKEEP OF GOVERNMENT QUARTERS
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been taken on report of Standing Committee on Urban Development regarding maintenance of residential buildings by CPWD;

(b) if not, the reasons thereof;

(c) the steps taken to improve the internal and external white-washing from dry-distemper to plastic paint in types I to II quarters;

(d) the steps taken to replace the existing cement floors with marble/tile flooring;

(e) whether the area in type-III quarters vary from design to design; and

(f) if so, the reasons thereof and the steps proposed to be taken to provide the same amount of area in all type-III quarters uniformly?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir.

(c): As per specifications of January, 2006, in new Type I to III Quarters, internal walls of Government quarters are painted with acrylic emulsion/oil bound distemper. However, there is no proposal to change the internal finishing of old Type I to II Quarters from white-washing/dry distemper. External finishing of these quarters is being changed from white-washing/cement paint to acrylic paint, in a phased manner.

(d): There is no proposal to replace existing cement floors in Type I to III Quarters with marble/tile flooring. However, replacement of existing cement floor with mosaic floor is being done as a part of up-gradation of quarters on vacation.

(e)&(f): General Pool residential accommodation adhere to approved area norms. Designs for different type of quarters are developed by architects as per location, urban form, surroundings in accordance with area specifications and building by-laws. Different designs have different permutation of space for rooms, utilities and circulations etc. All this is done in accordance with prescribed plinth area norms with the approval of local bodies, Delhi Urban Art Commission etc. There are slight variations in areas of different designs as acceptable. Besides, quarters constructed in different time period have variation in areas due to applicable norms at the time of construction.